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SUBJECT: LIBERIAN DELEGATION TO SIXTH SESSION OF THIRD UN CONFERENCE
ON LAW OF THE SEA (LOS)

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1. THE GOL DELEGATION TO THE THIRD UN CONFERENCE ON THE LAW OF THE SEA WILL INCLUDE DEPUTY MINISTER OF JUSTICE ROLAND BARNES, FORMER ATTORNEY GENERAL J. DOSSEN RICHARDS, AND THOMAS W. SHERMAN, A GEOLOGIST WITH THE MINISTRY OF LANDS AND MINES. THEY PLAN TO DEPART LIBERIA LATER THIS WEEK AND WILL BE JOINED BY LIBERIAN MARITIME ADVISORS RESIDENT IN NEW YORK.

2. THE POLITICAL COUNSELOR HAS DISCUSSED U.S. CONCERNS ON LOS ISSUES WITH BARNES AND RICHARDS. BOTH SHOWED UNDERSTANDING OF THE U.S. POSITION AND HAVE STRESSED THAT THE GOL WOULD BE FLEXIBLE WITH REGARD TO ITS OWN RECENT CLAIM TO A 200-MILE TERRITORIAL SEA.

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3. THE GOL DELEGATION IS NOT OPTIMISTIC THAT A COMPREHENSIVE LOS TREATY CAN BE ACHIEVED IN THE NEAR FUTURE, BUT IS WILLING TO WORK TOWARD THAT GOAL.

4. WE UNDERSTAND THAT AFRICAN NATIONS WILL BE MEETING IN THEIR OWN CAUCUS PRIOR TO THE PLENARY SESSION. SHOULD THE AFRICANS REACH THEIR OWN CONSENSUS ON SPECIFIC ISSUES, IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE LIBERIAN DELEGATION WILL FEEL CONSTRAINED

TO GO ALONG, EVEN AT THE COST OF VOTING AGAINST A U.S. POSITION.
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